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## Occupied Germany:

Attached as Appendices "A", "B", and "C" are summaries of cases and deaths by Regierungsbezirk and Land, and case rates by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the week ending 11 May 1946. Attached as Appendix "D" is a report of Animal Diseases by Regierungsbezirk and Land for the two-week period 16—30 April 1946 (Veterinary reports are made semi-monthly).

### Communicable Diseases:

There were no cases of typhus fever reported in the US Zone for the week ending 11 May 1946, the first negative weekly typhus report this year for the entire Zone. In Land Bavaria, with the exception of an increase in reported cases of typhoid fever, there has been no significant change in the incidence of communicable diseases during the week. The U. S. Sector of Berlin also reports an increase of typhoid fever as well as of dysentery, but a decreased incidence of scarlet fever. There was a marked increase in the incidence of reported venereal disease in Greater Hesse during the week with Stadtkreis Frankfurt accounting for 333 of the 725 reported cases of gonorrhea and 58 of the 183 reported cases of syphilis. This increase has been attributed to the better organized venereal disease program of the civilian public health department and an increased effort to improve reporting and treatment of cases. The previous outbreak of typhoid fever in Ilbenstadt, Greater Hesse, is reported to be completely under control.

### Hospitalization:

For the week ending 8 May 1946 U. S. Sector Berlin reports 12,123 normal beds with an 80.1% occupancy. Wessermunde reports Army release of Mitte Hospital, thereby adding approximately 250 beds available for civilian use. Hospitalization in North Baden, particularly for tuberculous patients, has been retarded due to insufficient property for hospital use. The German authorities have been reassured of support in their authority to requisition necessary property for hospital use.

### Nursing:

Permission was granted for reopening of the nursing school in the Red Cross Hospital in Bremen.

### Venereal Disease:

In connection with the accelerated venereal disease program, Land Wuerttemberg-Baden reports the Army Pictorial Service has made available, for publication in both German and American periodicals, a series of photographs pertaining to VD Control by the Military Government and civilian authorities in Stuttgart.

### Animal Diseases:

In the order of most farmsteads infected during the period 16-30 April, the six most prevalent diseases were fowl plague, swine erysipelas, scabies of horses, coital vesicular exanthema, hog cholera, and equine infectious anemia. The foot-and-mouth disease outbreak in the Wetzlar area (RB Wiesbaden) has continued to decline but has not been completely stamped out.



# APPENDIX "A"

## Communicable Disease Report United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 11 May, 1946

Regierungs- bezirk	Popu- lation	Cases, Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of COMMUNICABLE DISEASE c: cases d: deaths																									
			Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid	Paratyphoid Fever	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
TOTAL US Zone	£ 15,570,584	c	—	—	—	—	—	716 18	162 2	728 236	79 22	509 2	8 1	22276 —	616 7	110 10	24 —	36 —	4 1	—	—	13 —	3376 —	—	—	15 1	83 —	78 —
Mainfranken	927,000	c	—	—	—	—	—	30 1	5 —	62 9	4 —	5 —	—	—	38 —	11 2	30 —	4 —	—	—	—	—	306 —	—	—	—	—	23 —
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,140,055	c	—	—	—	—	—	82 1	25 —	65 23	6 1	54 —	—	—	257 —	64 1	11 —	3 —	2 1	—	—	—	692 —	—	—	—	—	2 —
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,966,526	c	—	—	—	—	—	30 1	8 1	37 15	5 1	12 —	1 1	—	166 41	11 2	1 —	3 —	—	—	—	—	711 —	—	—	—	—	5 —
Schwaben	1,018,162	c	—	—	—	—	—	32 —	8 —	55 12	7 2	52 1	2 —	—	83 —	35 2	1 —	2 —	—	—	—	—	217 —	—	—	—	—	3 —
Oberbayern	2,094,785	c	—	—	—	—	—	78 2	20 —	75 26	14 1	144 —	1 —	—	342 —	75 —	6 —	1 —	3 —	—	—	—	402 —	—	—	3 1	—	12 —
Kassel	1,042,724	c	—	—	—	—	—	74 2	14 —	57 8	11 2	26 —	1 —	—	167 —	33 —	10 1	—	—	—	—	—	127 —	—	—	—	—	4 —
Wiesbaden	1,322,421	c	—	—	—	—	—	66 2	15 —	79 11	3 1	45 —	—	—	429 —	102 2	6 —	1 —	—	—	—	1 —	8 —	—	—	1 —	—	6 —
Hessen	1,080,779	c	—	—	—	—	—	60 1	15 —	74 16	2 1	31 —	—	—	129 —	48 3	4 1	1 —	—	—	—	10 416	—	—	—	83 15	—	
Baden	1,135,775	c	—	—	—	—	—	75 4	12 —	61 4	6 —	59 —	1 —	—	155 —	45 8	2 —	2 —	—	—	—	2 386	—	—	4 —	—	—	—
Württemberg	1,908,151	c	—	—	—	—	—	100 1	21 —	72 30	12 7	81 1	2 —	—	231 —	51 5	1 —	2 —	2 —	—	—	—	111 —	—	—	4 —	—	8 —
Bremen Port Command	£	c	—	—	—	—	—	51 —	9 —	25 6	1 —	—	2 1	—	143 —	45 5	5 —	3 —	—	—	—	—	357 —	—	—	—	12 —	—
Berlin (Am Sector)	984,000	c	—	—	—	—	—	89 3	19 1	91 82	9 5	—	—	—	279 —	111 —	18 —	20 —	—	—	—	—	—	—	3 —	—	—	—

+ No date submitted. £ Bremen included in report from British Zone — not included in the totals on this report.



# APPENDIX "B" Communicable Disease Report (by Land) United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 11 May 1946

Land	Popu- lation	Cases Deaths	Reported Number of New CASES and DEATHS of CUMMUNICABLE DISEASE																								c: Cases	d: Deaths	
			Typhus Fever louse borne	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung and larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid	Paratyphoid Fever	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infections Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria			Influenza
Bavaria	8,146,734	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	252	66	294	36	267	4	—	886	226	59	9	11	2	—	—	2328	—	—	3	—	45
Greater Hesse	3,445,924	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	200	44	210	16	102	1	—	725	183	20	11	1	—	—	11	551	—	—	1	83	25
Württemberg Baden	3,043,926	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	175	33	133	18	140	3	1	386	96	13	3	4	2	—	2	497	—	—	8	—	8
Bremen Port Command	473,000	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	51	9	25	1	—	2	—	143	45	5	—	3	—	—	—	357	—	—	—	12	—
Berlin (US Sector)	934,000	c	—	—	—	—	—	—	89	19	91	9	—	—	—	279	111	18	1	20	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—

Case Rate Expressed as per 10000 per Annum

Bavaria	8,146,734		—	—	—	—	—	—	16.13	4.72	18.82	2.30	17.09	.26	—	56.71	14.46	3.78	.58	.70	.13	—	—	148.99	—	—	.19	—	2.88
Greater Hesse	3,445,924		—	—	—	—	—	—	30.20	6.64	31.71	2.42	15.40	.15	.15	109.48	27.63	3.02	1.66	.15	—	—	1.66	83.20	—	—	.15	12.53	3.78
Württemberg-Baden	3,043,926		—	—	—	—	—	—	29.92	5.54	27.74	3.08	23.94	.51	.17	66.01	16.42	2.22	.51	.68	.34	—	.34	84.99	—	—	1.37	—	1.37
Bremen Port Command	473,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	56.05	9.89	27.46	1.10	—	2.20	—	157.16	49.46	5.50	—	3.30	—	—	—	392.34	—	—	—	13.19	—
Berlin (US Sector)	934,000		—	—	—	—	—	—	49.57	10.58	50.59	5.01	—	—	—	155.40	61.83	10.03	.56	11.14	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.67	—	—

+ No data Submitted

# APPENDIX "C"

## Communicable Disease Rates United States Zone of Germany for Week Ending 11 May 1946

Regierungs- Bezirk	Popu- lation	Typhus Fever	Relapsing Fever	Smallpox	Cholera	Plague	Anthrax	Diphtheria	Scarlet Fever	Tuberculosis lung & larynx	Tuberculosis other	Whooping Cough	Meningitis meningococcus	Gonorrhea	Syphilis	Typhoid Fever	Paratyphoid	Dysentery infectious	Bact. Food Poisoning	Undulant Fever	Infectious Jaundice	Scabies	Rabies	Encephalitis epidemic	Malaria	Influenza	Measles
Total US Zone	15,570,584	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.63	5.35	24.02	2.61	16.80	.26	75.11	20.33	3.63	.79	1.19	.13	—	.43	111.41	—	—	.50	2.74	2.57
Mainfranken	927,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.83	2.81	34.78	2.24	2.81	—	21.32	6.17	16.03	2.24	—	—	—	—	171.67	—	—	—	—	12.90
Ober- and Mittelfranken	2,140,055	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.93	6.08	15.80	1.46	13.12	—	62.45	15.55	2.67	.73	.73	.49	—	—	163.16	—	—	—	—	.49
Niederbayern and Oberpfalz	1,966,526	—	—	—	—	—	—	7.92	2.11	9.77	1.32	3.17	.26	43.82	10.82	2.90	.26	.79	—	—	—	187.70	—	—	—	—	1.32
Schwaben	1,018,162	—	—	—	—	—	—	16.35	4.09	28.11	3.58	26.57	1.02	42.41	17.88	.51	—	1.02	—	—	—	110.89	—	—	—	—	1.53
Oberbayern	2,094,785	—	—	—	—	—	—	19.34	4.96	18.60	3.47	35.71	.25	84.82	18.60	1.49	.25	.74	—	—	—	99.70	—	—	.74	—	2.98
Kassel	1,042,724	—	—	—	+	+	—	36.93	6.99	28.44	5.49	12.97	.50	50.83	33.16	4.99	4.49	—	—	—	—	63.37	—	—	—	—	2.00
Wiesbaden	1,322,421	—	—	—	+	+	—	25.94	5.90	31.05	1.18	17.68	—	158.60	40.09	2.36	.39	—	—	—	.39	3.14	—	—	.39	—	2.36
Hessen	1,080,779	—	—	—	+	+	—	28.86	7.22	35.59	.96	14.91	—	62.05	23.09	1.92	.48	.48	—	—	4.81	200.10	—	—	—	39.92	7.22
Baden	1,135,775	—	—	—	+	+	—	34.35	5.50	27.94	2.75	27.02	.46	70.99	20.61	3.66	.92	.92	—	—	.92	176.73	—	—	1.83	—	—
Württemberg	1,908,151	—	—	—	+	+	—	27.30	5.73	19.66	3.28	22.11	.55	63.06	13.92	1.36	.27	.55	.55	—	—	30.30	—	—	1.09	—	2.18
Bremen Port Command	£	—	—	—	—	—	—	56.05	9.89	27.48	1.10	—	2.20	157.16	49.46	5.50	—	3.30	—	—	—	392.34	—	—	—	—	13.19
Berlin Am Sector	934,000	—	—	—	+	+	—	49.57	10.58	50.60	5.01	—	—	155.40	61.83	10.03	.56	11.14	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.67	—	—

(+ No data submitted. £ Bremen included in report from British Zone — not included in the totals on this report)



# **APPENDIX "D" Incidence of communicable Animal Diseases in United States Zone of Germany for period 16-30 April 1946** (Summarized from Semi-monthly Reports of Regierungsbezirksfieraerzte)

Figures are numbers of farms newly infected during the period

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Regierungsbezirk	Anthrax	Blackleg	Cholera of pigs	Cholera of fowl	Colital vesicular exanthema of cattle	Contagious pleuropneumonia of cattle	Dourine of horses	Encephalomyelitis of pigs	Encephalomyelitis of horses	Erysipelas of pigs	Foot-and-mouth disease	Glanders	Infectious abortion of cattle	Infectious abortion of sheep	Infectious anemia of horses	Malignant edema of cattle	Plague of fowls	Pox of sheep	Rabies	Scabies of cattle	Scabies of horses	Scabies of sheep	Strangles of horses	Trichomaniasis of cattle	Tuberculosis of cattle	

\* Separate Reg. Bez. report not received this period, but data included in Bavaria total.

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